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SUBJ: RELATIONS WITH URUGUAY

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FROM AMBASSADOR

1. WHEN I SAW FONMINISTER BLANCO LAST NIGHT (SEPTTEL) I GAVE HIM SUBSTANCE OF PARA ONE REFTEL. HE WAS EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH GENERAL COMMENTS ON URUGUAY'S POLICY IN HEMISPHERIC MATTERS AND, ESPECIALLY, WITH REACTION TO ITEM WITH URUGUAY INSCRIBED FOR OAS MEETING AGENDA. HE TOLD ME IN THIS CONTEXT THAT HE HAD VISTED PRESIDENT BORDABERRY AT HIS ESTANCIA IN DURAZNO AND HAD GIVEN HIM A COPY OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S RECENT LETTER. THE PRESIDENT, HE SAID, HAD BEEN MOST GRATIFIED AND APPRECIATIVE.

2. REGARDING FMS CREDITS, I FOUND IT NECESSARY BOTH IN MY MEETING WITH BLANCO LAST NIGHT AND IN A LUNCH WHICH I HAD FOR THE MINDEFENSE YESTERDAY, TO EXPLAIN IN DETAIL THE TRUE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO FMS CREDITS, WHAT WE ARE TYRING TO DO AND THE EXISTING UNCERTAINTIES. THIS WAS NECESSARY BECAUSE SINCE SENDING MY INQUIRY LAST WEEK (TO WHICH THE SECOND PARA OF REFTEL RESPNDED), I LEARNED A) FROM THE MILGRP COMMANDER THAT AIR FORCE CHIEF GEN. PALADINI HAD LEARNED, AS HE PUT IT, THAT THE CREDITS WERE TO BE GREATLY INCREASED AND B) IN ALETTER FROM FRANK ORTIZ THAT AMBASSADOR PEREZ CALDAS IS FULLY AWARE OF THIS AND THAT FRANK HAD ATTEMPTED TO GIVE HIM A PROPDQ PERSPECTIVE ON THE MATTER. IN THIS CIRCUMSTANCE  
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I CAREFULLY EXPLAINED TO MINISTERS RAVENNA AND BLANCO EXACTLY WHAT

THE SITUATION IS IN HOPES THAT THIS MAY HELP CLEAR UP MISUNDERSTAND-  
INGS AND AVOID TOO GREAT A DISAPPOINTMENT IN THE EVENT WE DO NOT GET  
THE FUNDS. NEVERTHELESS, SINCE YOU WELL KNOW THE POWER OF EXPECTA-  
TIONS,  
THE FACT THAT THE URUGUAYANS IN WASHINGTON SOMEHOW LEARNED THIS  
MAKES IT EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAT WE SUCCEED IN OUR EFFORTS TO OBTAIN  
ADEQUATE CREDIT AS I RECOMMENDED IN WASHINGTON.  
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